

Missouri Attorney General's Opinions – 2019

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2-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-020).
3-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas to amend Article XIV, Section 1, of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-021).
4-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas to amend Article XIV, Sections 1-5, of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-022).
5-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas to amend Article V, version 1, of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-023).
6-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas to amend Article V, version 2, of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-024).
7-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Article III, of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-025).
8-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson to amend Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-026).
9-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald

			Peterson to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-027).
10-2019	Jan 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson to amend Chapter 115, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-028).
11-2019	Jan 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Rik Combs to amend Article X of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-029).
12-2019	Jan 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-030).
13-2019	Jan 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown to amend Chapter 320, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-031).
14-2019	Jan 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-032).
15-2019	Jan 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-033).
16-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III, version 1 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-034).
17-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III, version 2 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-035).
18-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-012).

19-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-013).
20-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-014).
21-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-015).
22-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Carlton McRoerts to amend Miranda Rights of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-036).
23-2019	Jan 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Carlton McRoerts to amend Miranda Rights of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-037).
24-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article I of the Missouri Constitution, (20-019).
25-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article VI of the Missouri Constitution, (20-020).
26-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (20-021).
27-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (20-022).

28-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article V of the Missouri Constitution, (20-023).
29-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas amending Article V of the Missouri Constitution, (20-024).
30-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (20-025).
31-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson amending Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (20-026).
32-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson amending Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (20-027).
33-2019	Jan 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (20-030).
34-2019	Jan 30	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Rik Combs to amend Article X of the Missouri Constitution (2020-038).
35-2019	Feb 1		Letter to The Honorable Elizabeth Ziegler.
36-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2020-019).
37-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article VI of the Missouri Constitution (2020-

			020).
38-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article XIV, Section 1 of the Missouri Constitution (2020-021).
39-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article XIV, Sections 1-5 of the Missouri Constitution (2020-022).
40-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-023).
41-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed amendment to Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-024).
42-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson regarding a proposed amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-025).
43-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-026).
44-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-027).
45-2019	Feb 7	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson amending

			Article III of the Missouri Constitution (20-032).
47-2019	Feb 8	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson regarding a proposed amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-030).
48-2019	Feb 8	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-040).
49-2019	Feb 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-041).
50-2019	Feb 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson regarding a proposed amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-032).
51-2019	Feb 21	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Rik Combs amending Article X of the Missouri Constitution (20-038).
52-2019	Feb 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Christopher Pieper to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution (2020-042).
53-2019	Mar 1	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Rik Combs regarding a proposed amendment to Article X of the Missouri Constitution (2020-038).
55-2019	Mar 4	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-046).
56-2019	Mar 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Christopher Pieper amending Article VI of the Missouri Constitution

			(20-042).
57-2019	Mar 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Chapters 143 & 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-048).
58-2019	Mar 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution (20-046).
60-2019	Mar 28	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapters 143 & 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-049).
61-2019	Mar 28	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Jackie Johnson. (2020-050).
62-2019	Apr 1	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen to amend Article XVI of the Missouri Constitution (2020-051).
63-2019	Apr 1	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-052).
64-2019	Apr 1	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-053).
65-2019	Apr 5	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Christopher Pieper to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution (2020-054).
66-2019	Apr 5	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-046).

67-2019	Apr 5	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapters 286 and 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-048).
68-2019	Apr 12	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2020-055).
69-2019	Apr 12	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-056).
70-2019	Apr 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-057).
71-2019	Apr 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Chapters 143 & 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-048).
72-2019	Apr 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapters 286 & 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-049).
73-2019	Apr 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Pauly Lentz to amend Chapter 128, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-058).
74-2019	Apr 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller amending Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-053).
75-2019	Apr 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution

			(2020-059).
76-2019	Apr 25	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Christopher Pieper amending Article VI of the Missouri Constitution (20-054).
77-2019	Apr 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-060).
78-2019	Apr 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Chapters 143 and 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-049).
79-2019	May 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-053).
80-2019	May 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-061).
81-2019	May 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed amending Article I of the Missouri Constitution, (20-055).
82-2019	May 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes amending Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-056).
84-2019	May 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-062).
85-2019	May 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by

			Steven Reed regarding a proposed amendment to Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2020-055).
86-2019	May 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-056).
87-2019	May 13	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-063).
88-2019	May 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-064).
89-2019	May 23	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth to amend Article VII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-065).
90-2019	May 24	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-066).
91-2019	May 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller amending Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (20-063).
92-2019	June 13	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller regarding a proposed amendment to Article IV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-063).
93-2019	June 21	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-070).
94-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2020-071).

95-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 1 (2020-072).
96-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 2 (2020-073).
97-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 3 (2020-074).
98-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 4 (2020-075).
99-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 5 (2020-076).
100-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 6 (2020-077).
101-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 7 (2020-078).
102-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 8 (2020-079).
103-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 9 (2020-080).
104-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne

			Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 10 (2020-081).
105-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 11 (2020-082).
106-2019	June 27	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 12 (2020-083).
107-2019	June 27	FAIR BALLOT LANGUAGE. JOINT RESOLUTIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language prepared for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution Nos. 14 & 9 amending Article VII of the Missouri Constitution relating to imposing a two term restriction on all statewide elected officials.
108-2019	June 27	SUMMARY STATEMENT. JOINT RESOLUTIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution Nos. 14 & 9 regarding a proposed amendment to Article VII of the Missouri Constitution.
109-2019	June 28	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 1 (2020-088).
110-2019	June 28	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 2 (2020-089).
113-2019	June 28	SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution Nos. 14 & 9 relating to imposing a two term restriction on all statewide elected officials.
114-2019	June 28	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of

			Missouri (2020-092).
115-2019	July 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 1 (2020-097).
116-2019	July 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, Version 2 (2020-098).
117-2019	July 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III, Section 39 of the Missouri Constitution (2020-093).
118-2019	July 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III, Section 52 of the Missouri Constitution (2020-094).
119-2019	July 3	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-096).
120-2019	July 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Chapters 130 and 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-099).
121-2019	July 12	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (20-070).
122-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (20-072).
123-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (20-073).

124-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (20-074).
125-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (20-075).
126-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (20-076).
127-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (20-077).
128-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (20-078).
129-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (20-079).
130-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 9 (20-080).
131-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 10

			(20-081).
132-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 11 (20-082).
133-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 12 (20-083).
134-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (20-088).
135-2019	July 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (20-089).
136-2019	July 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes amending Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-092).
137-2019	July 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for a referendum petition submitted by Sara Baker regarding Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill 126 (20-R001).
138-2019	July 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen regarding a proposed amendment to Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-070).
139-2019	July 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending

			Article III of the Missouri Constitution (20-093).
140-2019	July 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-096).
141-2019	July 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-097).
142-2019	July 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-098).
143-2019	July 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-100).
144-2019	July 29	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-072).
145-2019	July 29	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-073).
146-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-074).
147-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-075).
148-2019	July 29	INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement

		INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-076).
149-2019	July 29	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-077).
150-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-078).
151-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-079).
152-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 9 (2020-080).
153-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 10 (2020-081).
154-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 11 (2020-082).
155-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 12 (2020-083).

156-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-088).
157-2019	July 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-089).
158-2019	July 29	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-092).
159-2019	Aug 1	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapters 130 & 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri (20-099).
160-2019	Aug 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Article III, Section 39 of the Missouri Constitution (2020-093).
161-2019	Aug 5	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-096).
162-2019	Aug 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-097).
163-2019	Aug 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-098).

164-2019	Aug 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-101).
165-2019	Aug 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-102).
166-2019	Aug 5	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-103).
167-2019	Aug 9	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Chapters 130 & 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-099).
168-2019	Aug 13	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Sara Baker regarding a proposed referendum to Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill 126 (2020-R001).
169-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-105).
170-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-106).
171-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-107).
172-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-108).

173-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-109).
174-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-110).
175-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-111).
176-2019	Aug 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-112).
177-2019	Aug 23	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-101).
178-2019	Aug 23	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution (20-102).
179-2019	Aug 23	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution (20-103).
180-2019	Aug 30	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-101).
181-2019	Aug 30	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-102).
182-2019	Aug 30	INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement

		INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-103).
183-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-105).
184-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-106).
185-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-107).
186-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-108).
187-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-109).
188-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-110).
189-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-111).
190-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (20-112).
191-2019	Sept 13	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of

			Missouri, version 1 (2020-113).
192-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2020-114).
193-2019	Sept 13	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2020-115).
194-2019	Sept 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by James Owen to amend Chapters 393 and 386, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 4 (2020-116).
195-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-105).
196-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-106).
197-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-107).
198-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-108).
199-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-109).
200-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement

		INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-110).
201-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-111).
202-2019	Sept 19	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed amendment to Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-112).
203-2019	Sept 20	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-117).
204-2019	Sept 20	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-118).
205-2019	Sept 20	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-119).
206-2019	Sept 20	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-120).
207-2019	Sept 23	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-121).
208-2019	Sept 23	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-122).
209-2019	Oct 4	INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form

		INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen amending Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (20-113).
210-2019	Oct 4	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen amending Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (20-114).
211-2019	Oct 4	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen amending Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (20-115).
212-2019	Oct 4	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen amending Chapters 393 and 386, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 4 (20-116).
213-2019	Oct 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull amending Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (20-117).
214-2019	Oct 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull amending Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (20-118).
215-2019	Oct 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull amending Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (20-119).
216-2019	Oct 10	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull amending Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (20-120).

217-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and rejection of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-124).
218-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2020-113).
219-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2020-114).
220-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2020-115).
221-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to Chapters 393 & 386, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 4 (2020-116).
222-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull amending Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (20-121).
223-2019	Oct 11	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull amending Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (20-122).
224-2019	Oct 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-125).
225-2019	Oct 18	INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of a summary statement

		INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	prepared for the initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed amendment to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-117).
226-2019	Oct 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed amendment to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-118).
227-2019	Oct 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed amendment to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-119).
228-2019	Oct 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed amendment to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-120).
229-2019	Oct 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed amendment to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-121).
231-2019	Oct 31	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-126).
232-2019	Nov 8	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-127).
233-2019	Nov 14	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-125).
234-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre

			Hirner to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-128).
235-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-129).
236-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-130).
237-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-131).
238-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-132).
239-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-133).
240-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-134).
241-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-135).
242-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-136).
243-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 9 (2020-137).

244-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 10 (2020-138).
245-2019	Nov 15	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 11 (2020-139).
246-2019	Nov 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner regarding a proposed amendment to Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-125).
247-2019	Nov 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-126).
248-2019	Nov 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-140).
249-2019	Nov 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-141).
250-2019	Nov 22	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-127).
251-2019	Dec 2	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of a summary statement prepared for the initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner regarding a proposed amendment to Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-126).
252-2019	Dec 5	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner amending

			Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-128).
253-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-129).
254-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-130).
255-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-131).
256-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-132).
257-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-133).
258-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-134).
259-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-135).
260-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative

			petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-136).
261-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-137).
262-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-138).
263-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-139).
264-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-140).
265-2019	Dec 6	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-141).
266-2019	Dec 13	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-127).
267-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner amending Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-128).
268-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative

			petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-128).
269-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-130).
270-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-131).
271-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-132).
272-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-133).
273-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-134).
274-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-135).
275-2019	Dec 18	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-136).
276-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES.	Review and approval of the legal content and form

		INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 9 (2020-137).
277-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 10 (2020-138).
278-2019	Dec 17	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey amending Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 11 (2020-139).
279-2019	Dec 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-140).
280-2019	Dec 26	INITIATIVES. INITIATIVE PETITIONS.	Review and approval of the legal content and form of a fiscal note summary prepared for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple amending Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-141).



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OPINION LETTER NO. 1-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Patricia Thomas, (2020-0019).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 2-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VI, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Patricia Thomas, (2020-020).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 3-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV, Section 1, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Patricia Thomas, (2020-021).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 4-2019

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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV, Sections 1-5, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Patricia Thomas, (2020-022).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 5-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article V, Version 1, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Patricia Thomas, (2020-023).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 6-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article V, Version 2, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Patricia Thomas, (2020-024).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 7-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Damien Johnson, (2020-025).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 8-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Gerald Peterson, (2020-026).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 9-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 27, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Gerald Peterson, (2020-027).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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January 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 10-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 31, 2018, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson, (2020-028).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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January 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 11-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 2, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Rik Combs, (2020-029).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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OPINION LETTER NO. 12-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 2, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Damien Johnson, (2020-030).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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January 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 13-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 7, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Theodis Brown, (2020-031).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo; and the petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined.”

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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OPINION LETTER NO. 14-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 7, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Damien Johnson, (2020-032).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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January 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 15-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 7, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes, (2020-033).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. Failure to also comply with § 116.060, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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January 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 16-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-034).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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January 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 17-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-035).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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January 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 18-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-012). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit any law or ordinance that would restrict or impair an agreement requiring employees to support a labor union and apply strict scrutiny review to any such restrictions or impairments?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 19-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-013). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- prohibit any law or ordinance that would impair, restrict or limit the negotiation and enforcement of any collectively bargained agreement with an employer respecting financial support by employees of their labor union according to the terms of the agreement; and
- protect the right of employers to organize and bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 20-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-014). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

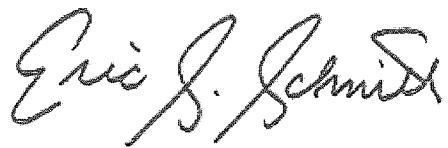
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit any law or ordinance that would impair, restrict or limit the ability of employees to negotiate, enter into and enforce any collectively bargained agreement with an employer providing financial support of the labor union?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 21-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Michael Louis regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-015). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit any law or ordinance that would impair, restrict or limit the negotiation and enforcement of any collectively bargained agreement with an employer respecting financial support by employees of their labor union according to the terms of the agreement?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft

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Very truly yours,



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January 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 22-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Carlton McRoberts, (2020-036).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft

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January 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 23-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 11, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Carlton McRoberts, (2020-037).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 24-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, (20-019). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 25-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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State Capitol, Room 121
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, (20-020). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 26-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, (20-021). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 27-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, (20-022). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local government entities estimate no additional revenues, and estimate cost savings of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 28-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, (20-023). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State court officials estimate cost savings of approximately \$8,000 annually, increased training costs ranging from approximately \$29,000 to \$55,000 annually, and unknown annual costs related to judicial vacancies. Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 29-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Patricia Thomas, (20-024). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State court officials estimate cost savings of approximately \$8,000 annually, increased training costs ranging from approximately \$29,000 to \$55,000 annually, and unknown annual costs related to judicial vacancies. Local governments estimate no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 30-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson, (20-025). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$239,000 and increased annual costs of \$38,000. State and local governmental entities estimate unknown costs during each 2-year election cycle of up to \$740,000.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 31-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson, (20-026). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect no additional costs and estimate additional annual revenues ranging from \$2.9 billion to \$4.5 billion. Local governmental entities expect no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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January 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 32-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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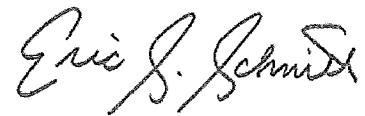
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 16, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Gerald Peterson, (20-027). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs in excess of \$21 million and additional costs in excess of \$2.5 billion annually. Revenues from the federal government to offset these costs are estimated to be \$1.8 billion annually, subject to changes in federal law. Local governments expect unknown changes in revenues.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 30, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 33-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 22, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson, (20-030). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$239,000 and increased annual costs of \$38,000. State and local governmental entities estimate unknown costs during each 2-year election cycle of up to \$740,000.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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January 30, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 34-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article X of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Rik Combs, (2020-038).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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OPINION LETTER NO. 35-2019

February 1, 2019

Elizabeth Ziegler
Executive Director
Missouri Ethics Commission
P.O. Box 1370
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Director Ziegler:

I write in response to the Missouri Ethics Commission's ("MEC's") January 15, 2019 request for an opinion of the Attorney General. By way of background, in the November 2018 general election, the voters of Missouri approved Amendment 1, which amended certain portions of Article III of the Missouri Constitution. Amendment 1 included two provisions relevant to this opinion. First, under Amendment 1's "waiting-period" provision:

no person serving as a member of or employed by the general assembly shall act or serve as a paid lobbyist, register as a paid lobbyist, or solicit prospective employers or clients to represent as a paid lobbyist during the time of such service until the expiration of two calendar years after the conclusion of the session of the general assembly in which the member or employee last served.

Mo. Const. Art. III, § 2(a). Second, under Amendment 1's "gift-limitation" provision:

[n]o person serving as a member of or employed by the general assembly shall accept directly or indirectly a gift of any tangible or intangible item, service, or thing of value from any paid lobbyist or lobbyist principal in excess of five dollars per occurrence.

Mo. Const. Art. III, § 2(b).

The MEC has requested the Attorney General's opinion on whether § 105.957.1(6), RSMo, authorizes the MEC to receive complaints of violations of Amendment 1's waiting-period and gift-limitation provisions. The MEC has also requested the Attorney General's opinion on whether the

MEC has authority to issue advisory opinions regarding the waiting-period and gift-limitation provisions.

Section 105.957.1 provides that the MEC:

shall receive any complaints alleging violation of the provisions of:

- (1) The requirements imposed on lobbyists by sections 105.470 to 105.478;
- (2) The financial interest disclosure requirements contained in sections 105.483 to 105.492;
- (3) The campaign finance disclosure requirements contained in chapter 130;
- (4) Any code of conduct promulgated by any department, division or agency of state government, or by state institutions of higher education, or by executive order;
- (5) The conflict of interest laws contained in sections 105.450 to 105.468 and section 171.181; and
- (6) The provisions of the constitution or state statute or order, ordinance or resolution of any political subdivision relating to the official conduct of officials or employees of the state and political subdivisions.

§ 105.957.1, RSMo. The MEC may issue advisory opinions, upon written request from affected parties, “regarding any issue that the commission can receive a complaint on pursuant to section 105.957.” § 105.955.16, RSMo.

For the reasons stated below, we conclude that § 105.957.1(6) authorizes the MEC to receive complaints of violations of Amendment 1’s waiting-period and gift-limitation provisions, and to issue advisory opinions regarding those provisions.

ANALYSIS

The “primary rule of statutory interpretation is to give effect to legislative intent as reflected in the plain language of the statute at issue.” *Peters v. Wady Indus., Inc.*, 489 S.W.3d 784, 789 (Mo. banc 2016) (quotation omitted). Section 105.957 provides that the MEC may “receive any complaints alleging violation of . . . [t]he provisions of the constitution . . . relating to the official conduct of officials or employees of the state.” § 105.957.1(6), RSMo. Thus, whether the MEC may receive complaints of violations of Amendment 1’s gift-limitation and waiting-period provisions depends on whether those constitutional provisions “relate[] to the official conduct of officials or employees of the state.” *Id.*

Courts have consistently characterized the plain and ordinary meaning of the phrase “relating to” as expansive. “The ordinary meaning of [the phrase ‘relating to’] is a broad one—to stand in some relation; to have bearing or concern; to pertain; refer; to bring into association with or connection with.” *Morales v. Trans World Airlines, Inc.*, 504 U.S. 374, 383 (1992)

(quoting BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY (5th ed. 1979)); *see also, e.g., Mizrahi v. Gonzales*, 492 F.3d 156, 159 (2d Cir. 2007) (explaining that the “use of the phrase ‘relating to’ in [statutes] generally signals [an] expansive [legislative] intent”). Missouri courts have similarly interpreted the words “relate” and “related” broadly to mean the existence of some relationship or connection. *See Brown v. Carnahan*, 370 S.W.3d 637, 652 (Mo. banc 2012) (“‘Related’ is defined as ‘having a relationship; connected by reason of an established or discoverable relation.’” (quoting WEBSTER’S THIRD NEW INT’L DICTIONARY, UNABRIDGED 1916 (2002))); *State v. Myers*, 248 S.W.3d 19, 26 (Mo. App. E.D. 2008) (“According to the dictionary, ‘relate’ means ‘to have relationship or connection.’”)). Thus, a constitutional provision falls within the scope of § 105.957.1(6) if the provision has some relationship or connection to the “official conduct of officials or employees of the state.” For the reasons stated below, we find that both the waiting-period and the gift-limitation provisions have such a relationship and connection and thus fall within the scope of § 105.957.1(6).¹

I. The Waiting-Period Provision (Mo. Const. Art. III, § 2(a)) Relates to the Official Conduct of State Officials and Employees.

Amendment 1’s waiting-period provision has a direct relationship with and connection to the official conduct of state officials and employees, and thus that provision falls within the scope of § 105.957.1(6). Amendment 1 prohibits any member or employee of the General Assembly from serving, registering, or soliciting business as a “paid lobbyist” during the two years following the end of the last legislative session in which the member or employee served. Mo. Const. Art. III, § 2(a). “When interpreting a constitutional provision, [courts] consider the words used in their plain and ordinary meaning.” *In re Finnegan*, 327 S.W.3d 524, 526 (Mo. banc 2010). “If a word used is not defined, [courts apply] the plain and ordinary meaning of the word as found in the dictionary.” A “lobbyist” is “one who lobbies” or “a person employed and compensated for lobbying.” WEBSTER’S THIRD NEW INT’L DICTIONARY, UNABRIDGED 1326 (2002). To “lobby,” in turn, means “to conduct activities . . . with the objective of influencing public officials,” and “to advance or otherwise secure favorable treatment of [an initiative] by influencing public officials.” *Id.* Thus, the plain and ordinary meaning of Amendment 1’s text demonstrates that the waiting-period provision applies only to one who seeks to influence public officials. *Id.* Moreover, under existing Missouri statutes, the term “lobbyist” applies only to those who seek to influence official action of the Executive, Legislative, or Judicial Branches of government. *See* § 105.470(1), (3), (4), (5). By definition, then, a paid lobbyist seeks to influence the official conduct of government actors. As a result, regulation of paid lobbyists necessarily has a direct relationship to and connection with the “official conduct of officials or employees of the state.” § 105.957.1(6), RSMo. Thus, Amendment 1’s waiting-period provision falls within the scope of § 105.957.1(6). *Id.*

¹ This opinion takes no position on the advisability of Amendment 1’s underlying policies, nor does it take any position on whether Amendment 1 will in practice advance those policies. This opinion also does not address whether Amendment 1 violates any portion of the United States Constitution, such as the First Amendment or Fourteenth Amendment. Instead, this opinion addresses only the narrow question of whether the MEC may receive complaints and issue advisory opinions regarding the waiting-period and gift-limitation provisions of Amendment 1.

The relevant statutory context confirms this conclusion. “In determining the meaning of a word in a statute, [courts] will not look at any one portion of the statute in isolation. Rather, [they] will look at the word’s usage in the context of the entire statute” *Union Elec. Co. v. Dir. of Revenue*, 425 S.W.3d 118, 122 (Mo. banc 2014). Statutory language “is known by the company it keeps.” *Id.* In addition to the catch-all “official conduct” category set forth in § 105.957.1(6), § 105.957.1 provides that the MEC can receive complaints of violations of several expressly enumerated statutory provisions. See § 105.957.1(1)-(5), RSMo. These other categories of violations provide guidance on the meaning of § 105.957.1(6)’s “official conduct” provision. See *Union Elec.*, 425 S.W.3d at 122.

Several of the statutory prohibitions expressly enumerated in § 105.957.1(1)-(5) closely resemble Amendment 1’s waiting-period provision. Perhaps most notably, § 105.455 prohibits many state officials—including members of the General Assembly—from engaging in lobbying during the six months following their departure from office. § 105.455.1, .2, RSMo. Similarly, § 105.454 prohibits an Executive Branch elected or appointed official from “[p]erform[ing] any services for consideration, during one year after termination of his or her office or employment, by which performance he or she attempts to influence a decision of any agency of the state.” § 105.454.1(5), RSMo. And § 105.462 prohibits certain state officials with rulemaking authority from “[p]erform[ing] for one year after termination of his or her employment any service for compensation for any person, firm or corporation to influence the decision or action of the agency with which he or she served as a member.” § 105.462.1(3), RSMo. Each of these provisions closely resembles Amendment 1’s waiting-period provision. See Mo. Const. Art. III, § 2(a). And § 105.957.1 expressly authorizes the MEC to receive complaints of violations of each of those statutory provisions. See § 105.957.1(5), RSMo. This statutory context strongly supports the conclusion that Amendment 1’s waiting-period provision falls within the scope of § 105.957.1(6). See *Union Elec.*, 425 S.W.3d at 122. Thus, we conclude that the MEC may receive complaints of violations of Amendment 1’s waiting-period provision. And because it can receive complaints of violations of that provision, the MEC also has authority to issue advisory opinions relating to that provision. § 105.955.16, RSMo.

II. The Gift-Limitation Provision (Mo. Const. Art. III, § 2(b)) Relates to the Official Conduct of State Officials and Employees.

Amendment 1’s gift-limitation provision also has a clear relationship with and connection to the official conduct of state officials and employees, because it seeks to limit the possibility that lobbyist gifts could influence a government actor’s official conduct. Courts have consistently recognized that gifts from lobbyists raise the possibility that those gifts might influence how legislators or staffers exercise their official powers. See, e.g., *United States v. Sawyer*, 85 F.3d 713, 728 (1st Cir. 1996); cf. *Ritter v. Ashcroft*, 561 S.W.3d 74, 86 (Mo. App. W.D. 2018). Because the gift-limitation provision seeks to regulate the influence of lobbyist gifts on the official conduct of legislators and their staff, the provision has a clear relationship with and connection to the official conduct of state officials and employees. Thus, the gift-limitation provision falls within the scope of § 105.957.1(6), RSMo. And because it can receive complaints of violations of that provision, the MEC also has authority to issue advisory opinions relating to that provision. § 105.955.16, RSMo.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, we conclude that the MEC has authority to receive complaints of alleged violations of Amendment 1's waiting-period and gift-limitation provisions, and to issue advisory opinions relating to those provisions.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Attorney General



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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 36-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-019). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that every employee shall have the freedom to work without being forced to join or pay any fees to a union (labor organization) in order to gain or keep a job?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 37-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-020). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that municipalities and their officials shall cooperate and comply with requests from United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials to detain, maintain custody of, or transfer any alien to ICE?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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Very truly yours,

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 38-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV, Section 1 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-021). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to require that certain historic memorials of any age on public property, such as statues, names of schools, streets, bridges and buildings named or dedicated in honor of any historic conflict, entity, event, or figure, may not be removed, renamed, or otherwise changed in certain ways unless provided by law?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 39-2019

**The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101**

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV, Sections 1-5 of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-022). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- employees shall have the freedom to get and keep their jobs without being forced to join or pay any fees to a union (labor organization);
- laws and ordinances cannot require certain wage rates (a prevailing wage) for maintenance or construction of public facilities; and
- it is a crime to purposely violate the provisions of this amendment?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 40-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-028). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- appellate court (supreme court and court of appeals) judges shall be elected in partisan elections;
- the term of an appellate court judge shall be reduced from 12 years to 6 years;
- no appellate court judge can be elected to a particular judicial seat for more than two consecutive terms;
- the governor fills appellate court vacancies without recommendations from the appellate judicial commission; and
- all judicial candidates can receive and make campaign contributions?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 41-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Patricia Thomas regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article V of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-024). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to provide that:

- appellate court (supreme court and court of appeals) judges shall be elected in nonpartisan elections, but can declare their support for a political party and be endorsed by a political party;
- the term of an appellate court judge shall be reduced from 12 years to 6 years;
- no appellate court judge can be elected to a particular judicial seat for more than two consecutive terms;
- the governor fills appellate court vacancies without recommendations from the appellate judicial commission; and

- all judicial candidates can receive and make campaign contributions?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 42-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Damien Johnson regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-025). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- prohibit any changes to election laws without voter approval;
- prohibit a filing fee for proposed initiative petitions;
- prohibit requiring an initiative petition circular (signature gatherer) from being a Missouri resident or a registered voter;
- allow signature gatherers to be paid per signature, by the hour or any way agreed to; and
- require the secretary of state's office to establish and operate a web-based application that allows people to sign initiative petitions electronically?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

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statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 43-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Gerald Peterson regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 147, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-026). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- reinstate the corporate franchise tax for corporations which have outstanding shares and surplus exceeding \$10 million at 1% of that value;
- use 40% of the revenues for constructing and maintaining state highways;
- use 50% of the revenues for early childhood, elementary and secondary schools with at least a 12% poverty level, with certain funding penalties; and
- use 10% of revenues for scholarships to Missouri public colleges and universities for students with an income below 12% poverty level and for certain other scholarships or student loan aid?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 44-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 28, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Gerald Peterson regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-027). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- adopt Medicaid Expansion for certain people 19 to 64 years old as set forth in the Affordable Care Act;
- require the state to pay for all birth control and family planning services (including the morning-after pill) for all state residents at least 13 years old;
- require the state to fund Planned Parenthood if federal funding is discontinued; and
- impose a tax on hospitals to pay for Medicaid Expansion and free birth control and family planning services if the state does not fund Medicaid Expansion?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

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statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 7, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 45-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of January 28, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson (20-032). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate one-time costs of \$239,000 and increased annual costs of \$38,000. State and local governmental entities estimate unknown costs during each 2-year election cycle of up to \$740,000.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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February 8, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 47-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 31, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Damien Johnson regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-030). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- prohibit any changes to election laws without voter approval;
- prohibit a filing fee for proposed initiative petitions;
- prohibit requiring an initiative petition circulator (signature gatherer) from being a Missouri resident or a registered voter;
- allow signature gatherers to be paid per signature, by the hour or any way agreed to; and
- require the secretary of state's office to establish and operate a web-based application that allows people to sign initiative petitions electronically?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

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statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 8, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 48-2019

**The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101**

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 31, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (2020-040).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

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February 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 49-2019

**The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101**

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 1, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (2020-041).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

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February 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 50-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 7, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Damien Johnson regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-032). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri constitution to:

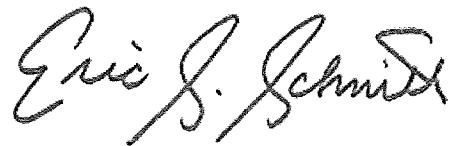
- prohibit any changes to election laws without voter approval;
- prohibit a filing fee for proposed initiative petitions;
- prohibit requiring an initiative petition circulator (signature gatherer) from being a Missouri resident or a registered voter;
- allow signature gatherers to be paid per signature, by the hour or any way agreed to; and
- require the secretary of state's office to establish and operate a web-based application that allows people to sign initiative petitions electronically?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 21, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 51-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of February 11, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Rik Combs, (20-038). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate reduced tax revenues ranging from \$1.3 billion to \$1.5 billion annually.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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February 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 52-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Christopher Pieper (2020-042).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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March 1, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 53-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 21, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Rik Combs regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article X of the Missouri Constitution (2020-038). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit the state, counties, and all other political subdivisions from imposing or collecting any tax on personal property other than sales tax, which may be collected each time the property is purchased?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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Very truly yours,

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March 4, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 55-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated February 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple, Version 2 (2020-046).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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March 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 56-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of March 5, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Christopher Pieper (20-042). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Individual St. Louis County municipalities expect decreased revenues to exceed savings with a total unknown impact. The overall savings for the new metropolitan city is unknown but estimated to be as much as \$1 billion annually by 2032. State revenue is estimated to increase between \$2.5 million to \$7 million annually by 2032.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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March 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 57-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 7, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapters 143 & 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Winston Apple (2020-048).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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March 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 58-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of March 14, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-046). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government legislative operating costs are estimated to decrease by approximately \$7 million annually. State and local governments could incur unknown additional election-related costs that could be significant.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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March 28, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 60-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapters 143 & 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Winston Apple (2020-049).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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March 28, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 61-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Jackie Johnson (2020-050).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

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State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,



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April 1, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 62-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen (2020-051).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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OPINION LETTER NO. 63-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller (2020-052).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040,
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Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

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April 1, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 64-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 22, 2019 for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Heidi Miller (2020-053).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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April 5, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 65-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 26, 2019 for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VI of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Christopher Pieper (2020-054).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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April 5, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 66-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated March 26, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-046). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri's Constitution regarding state legislators as follows:

- reduce the number of state representatives from 163 to 80 (10 representing each of the eight congressional districts);
- instead of a district, state senators will represent the entire state;
- primary elections result in an ordered list of candidates for each office;
- at the general election, a voter casts a vote for one political party's ordered list of candidates;
- the proportion of votes received per political party determines the candidates elected from each party's list, in the order on the list; and
- fill vacancies with the highest-ranking unelected candidate?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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April 5, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 67-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of March 28, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-048). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate unknown annual revenue increases to fund the proposed program, one-time costs of approximately \$800,000, and annual operating costs of at least \$3 million. Local governmental entities expect no fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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April 12, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 68-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 4, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Steven Reed (2020-055).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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April 12, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 69-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 4, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Shetova Hayes (2020-056).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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April 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 70-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen (2020-057).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,



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April 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 71-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 15, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapters 143 & 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-048). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- impose a state tax on long-term capital gains and qualified dividends (gains and dividends) in an amount equal to the difference between the federal taxes paid on gains and dividends and the rate that would have been paid had the gains or dividends been taxed as marginal ordinary income; and
- use these tax revenues to increase the percentage of electricity generated by wind and solar sources in Missouri, while creating as many jobs as possible, until 90% or more of the state's electricity is from wind and solar sources?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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April 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 72-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of April 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-049). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate unknown annual revenue increases to fund the proposed program, one-time costs of approximately \$800,000, and annual operating costs of at least \$3 million. Local governmental entities expect no fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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April 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 73-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 11, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Pauly Lentz (2020-058).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

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April 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 74-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of April 11, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller (20-053). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities are estimated to have one-time costs of approximately \$6.4 million and an unknown annual net fiscal impact by 2026 ranging from increased costs of at least \$200 million to savings of \$1 billion. Local governments expect costs to decrease by an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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April 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 75-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 12, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller (2020-059).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

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April 25, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 76-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of April 15, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Christopher Pieper (20-054). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Individual St. Louis County municipalities expect decreased revenues to exceed savings with a total unknown impact. The overall annual local fiscal impact is unknown but estimated to be between a cost of \$80 million to a savings of \$1 billion by 2032. State revenue could increase up to \$7 million annually by 2032.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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April 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 77-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth (2020-060).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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April 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 78-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 16, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapters 143 and 286, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-049). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to change Missouri law to:

- impose a state tax on long-term capital gains and qualified dividends (gains and dividends) in an amount equal to the difference between the federal taxes paid on gains and dividends and the rate that would have been paid had the gains or dividends been taxed as marginal ordinary income; and
- use these tax revenues to increase the percentage of electricity generated by clean, renewable sources in Missouri until 90% or more of the state's electricity is from clean, renewable sources?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

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May 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 79-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Heidi Miller regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 208, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-053). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- adopt Medicaid Expansion for persons 19 to 64 years old with an income level at or below 133% of the federal poverty level, as set forth in the Affordable Care Act;
- prohibit placing greater or additional burdens on eligibility or enrollment standards, methodologies or practices on persons covered under Medicaid Expansion than on any other population eligible for Medicaid; and
- require state agencies to take all actions necessary to maximize federal financial participation in funding medical assistance under Medicaid Expansion?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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May 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 80-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2020-061).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.050.2(2) and (3), RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reason stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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May 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 81-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of April 24, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (20-055). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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May 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 82-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of April 24, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes (20-056). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate no additional costs, and possible savings of an unknown amount. Local governmental entities expect no costs or savings.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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May 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 84-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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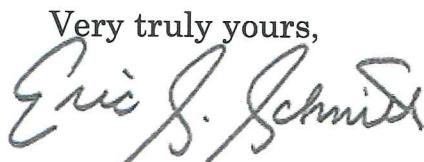
Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 26, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller (2020-062).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,


ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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May 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 85-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 1, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Steven Reed regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article I of the Missouri Constitution (2020-055). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to
eliminate daylight saving time in Missouri?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

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May 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 86-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 1, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Shetova Hayes regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-056). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law regarding minimum prison terms for offenders found guilty of dangerous felonies (includes arson, assault, rape, child molestation, murder and robbery) as follows:

- for the first conviction, the offender must serve 50% of the court sentence (current law is 85%);
- for the second and subsequent convictions, the offender must serve 85% of the court sentence (no change to current law);
- this amendment will be effective for all dangerous felonies occurring on or after August 28, 1994; and
- require parole to be granted to offenders with the best possible institutional score?

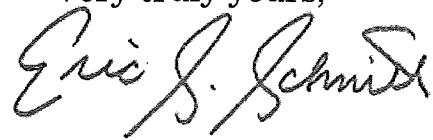
Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

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statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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May 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 87-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 3, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Heidi Miller (2020-063).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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May 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 88-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen (2020-064).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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May 23, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 89-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth (2020-065).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.

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May 24, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 90-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated May 15, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Steven Reed (2020-066).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.050.2(2) and (3), RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reason stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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May 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 91-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of May 23, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Heidi Miller (20-063). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities are estimated to have one-time costs of approximately \$6.4 million and an unknown annual net fiscal impact by 2026 ranging from increased costs of at least \$200 million to savings of \$1 billion. Local governments expect costs to decrease by an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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June 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 92-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 3, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Heidi Miller regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IV of the Missouri Constitution. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- adopt Medicaid Expansion for persons 19 to 64 old with an income level at or below 133% of the federal poverty level, as set forth in the Affordable Care Act;
- prohibit placing greater or additional burdens on eligibility or enrollment standards, methodologies or practices on persons covered under Medicaid Expansion than on any other population eligible for Medicaid; and
- require state agencies to take all actions necessary to maximize federal financial participation in funding medical assistance under Medicaid Expansion?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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June 21, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 93-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 12, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mark Pedersen, (2020-070).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 94-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Damien Johnson (2020-071).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 95-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 1 (2020-072).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 96-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 2 (2020-073).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 97-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 3 (2020-074).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 98-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 4 (2020-075).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 99-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 5 (2020-076).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 100-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 6 (2020-077).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 101-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 7 (2020-078).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 102-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 8 (2020-079).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 103-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 9 (2020-080).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 104-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 10 (2020-081).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 105-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 11 (2020-082).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 106-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 12 (2020-083).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 107-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.025, RSMo, of a proposed fair ballot language statement for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution Nos. 14 & 9 relating to an amendment to Article VII of the Missouri Constitution. The proposed fair ballot language statement is as follows:

A “yes” vote will amend the Missouri Constitution to impose a two term restriction on all statewide elected officials, which currently only applies to the Governor and Treasurer.

A “no” vote will leave the terms that statewide elected officials may serve unchanged.

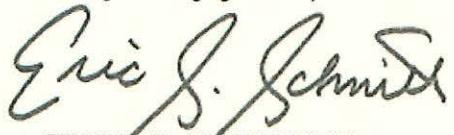
If passed, this measure will have no impact on taxes.

Pursuant to §116.025, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed fair ballot language statement.

Because our review of the fair ballot language statement is mandated by statute, no action we take with respect to such review should be construed as

an endorsement of the joint resolution, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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June 27, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 108-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 17, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution Nos. 14 & 9 regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VII of the Missouri Constitution. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to extend the two term restriction that currently applies to the Governor and Treasurer to the Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor and the Attorney General?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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June 28, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 109-2019

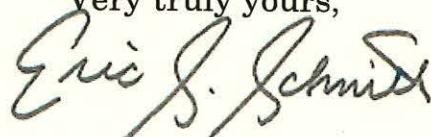
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 1 (2020-088).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,


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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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June 28, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 110-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 2 (2020-089).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

June 28, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 113-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of June 19, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Joint Resolution Nos. 14 & 9. The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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June 28, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 114-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 20, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Shetova Hayes (2020-092).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 115-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 27, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 1 (2020-097).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 116-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 27, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, Version 2 (2020-098).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 117-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 27, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III, Section 39 of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple (2020-093).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 118-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 27, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (2020-094).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 3, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 119-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated June 27, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Winston Apple (2020-096).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 120-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

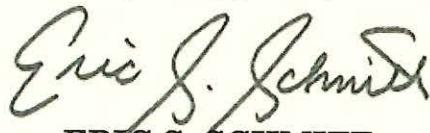
Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 1, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapters 130 and 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by Winston Apple (2020-099).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 12, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 121-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 2, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mark Pedersen (20-070). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect increased revenues of at least \$10.7 million annually and savings of at least \$6.8 million annually by 2027. Local governmental entities are expected to have revenue increases of at least \$26.6 million annually by 2027 and are expected to have cost increases of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 122-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-072). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$84,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 123-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-073). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$84,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 124-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-074). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 125-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-075). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The signature of Eric S. Schmitt, written in cursive ink.
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 126-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-076). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The handwritten signature of Eric S. Schmitt, Attorney General of Missouri.
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 127-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-077). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The handwritten signature of Eric S. Schmitt, Attorney General of Missouri.
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 128-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-078). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 129-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-079). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 130-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-080). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$84,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 131-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-081). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$84,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 132-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-082). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$84,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 133-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-083). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$84,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 134-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-088). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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July 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 135-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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This office received your letter of July 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-089). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$49,000 in annual costs, and \$181,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

July 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 136-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 10, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Shetova Hayes (20-092). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate no additional costs, and possible savings of an unknown amount. Local governmental entities expect no costs or savings

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 137-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of June 17, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Sara Baker (20-R001). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Revenues from state sources may decrease by at least \$4.9 million annually and federal Medicaid revenues may decrease by an unknown amount, up to \$7.2 billion annually. The Public Defender's Office anticipates increased costs of an unknown amount to defend women's medical actions after conception. Local governmental entities anticipate a significant negative impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 138-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 12, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mark Pedersen regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- repeal all current medical marijuana (cannabis) provisions;
- remove state prohibitions on possession, consumption, cultivation, and sale of marijuana for personal or medical use, regardless of age;
- legally allow driving while under the influence of marijuana;
- release all individuals from incarceration, parole and probation if convicted only of nonviolent marijuana-related crimes;
- remove state prohibitions on commercial cultivation, manufacture, distribution, and sale of marijuana;
- destroy all state civil and criminal records of nonviolent marijuana-related crimes;
- prohibit Missouri assisting enforcement of federal marijuana offenses; and
- prohibit the taxation of physician-recommended medical marijuana?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,


ERIC S. SCHMITT
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July 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 139-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 17, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-093). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The handwritten signature of Eric S. Schmitt, which is a cursive script of the name.
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 140-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 17, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-096). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect no costs from this proposal and may have savings of an unknown amount if some state employees switch health care coverage to this new health insurance plan. Local governmental entities expect no costs from this proposal and expect savings of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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ERIC SCHMITT

July 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 141-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 17, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-097). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$82,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The handwritten signature of Eric S. Schmitt, Attorney General of Missouri.
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

July 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 142-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 17, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-098). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$61,000 in annual costs, and \$82,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 143-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 18, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth (2020-100).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reasons:

1. The petition is not in the form prescribed by § 116.040, RSMo.
2. The petition does not contain "all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined" as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and "make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition."

Very truly yours,

The signature of Eric S. Schmitt in black ink.

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July 29, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 144-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-072). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The signature of Eric S. Schmitt, written in cursive ink.

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 29, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 145-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-073). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 146-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-074). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The signature of Eric S. Schmitt, written in cursive ink.

ERIC S. SCHMITT

Attorney General



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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 147-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-075). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 29, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 148-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-076). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 29, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 149-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-077). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 150-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-078). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT

Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 151-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-079). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 152-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 9 (2020-080). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 153-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 10 (2020-081). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 154-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 11 (2020-082). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 155-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 12 (2020-083). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 156-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-088). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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July 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 157-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On July 29, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-089). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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July 29, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 158-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 19, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Shetova Hayes regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 558, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-092). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law regarding minimum prison terms for offenders found guilty of dangerous felonies (includes arson, assault, murder and robbery) as follows:

- for the first conviction, the offender must serve 50% of the court sentence (current law is 85%);
- for the second and subsequent convictions, the offender must serve 85% of the court sentence (no change to current law);
- this amendment will be effective for all dangerous felonies occurring on or after August 28, 1994; and
- require parole to be granted to offenders with the best possible institutional score?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".
ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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August 1, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 159-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of July 22, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-099). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities anticipate decreased revenues in the General Revenue Fund of up to \$16.1 million annually by 2022 and anticipate corresponding increased annual revenues in the Missouri Elections Trust Fund. Local governmental entities expect no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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August 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 160-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 25, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III, Section 39 of the Missouri Constitution (2020-093). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to give any county, city, town, or village the right to require employers to pay a minimum wage or employment benefit that exceeds federal or state law, rules, or regulations, regardless of any action of the Missouri General Assembly?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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August 5, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 161-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

On August 2, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated July 25, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-096). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to create a state-run health insurance cooperative provided through the Department of Health and Senior Services, allowing Missouri citizens the choice to participate in the state-run health cooperative that only provides coverage for treatment and procedures deemed medically necessary by the Department of Health and Senior Services; and with membership dues (premiums) and out-of-pocket maximums to be adjusted annually based on a participant's income?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

The signature of Eric S. Schmitt, written in cursive ink.
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August 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 162-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 25, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-097). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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August 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 163-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 25, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-098). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of individuals at least 16 years old from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters on election day to appear at the wrong polling place, vote on a wrong ballot, and have election judges later transfer the votes to the right ballot;
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- make voters' method of voting a public record (mail, in person or military)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

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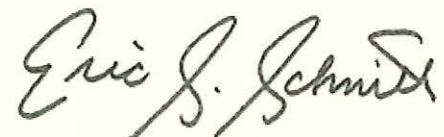
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statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

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August 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 164-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 25, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple (2020-101).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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August 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 165-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 25, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple (2020-102).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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August 5, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 166-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated July 26, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple (2020-103).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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August 9, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 167-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 1, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapters 130 & 143, Revised Statutes of Missouri (2020-099). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law to:

- create the Missouri Elections Trust Fund to be administered by the Department of Revenue;
- create a \$5 state income tax return checkoff to finance the Fund; and
- use the money to provide matching public funding, based on campaign filings with the Missouri Ethics Commission, for candidates for elected office who agree (1) to not accept contributions from corporations or political action committees that accept corporate contributions; and (2) that at least one-half of all money raised by the candidate will come from individuals contributing \$200 or less per election cycle?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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August 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 168-2019 (revised)

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

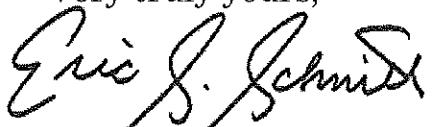
On August 12, 2019 we sent you a response to your request dated August 2, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Sara Baker regarding a proposed referendum to Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill 126 (2020-R001). Due to a typographical error we are reissuing our response. This response supersedes the previous opinion letter. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to adopt House Bill 126 passed by the General Assembly in 2019, which specifically amends Missouri law to:

- provide the unborn child with the same protections as those already born;
- prohibit abortions at eight weeks of gestation (at which time there is a medically detected heartbeat), except in cases of medical emergency;
- establish successive times at which abortions are prohibited (fourteen weeks, eighteen weeks, twenty weeks, all with medical emergency exceptions) if earlier time frames are found unlawful; and
- prohibit an abortion based solely on the sex, race or Down Syndrome screening of the unborn child?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 169-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 1 (2020-105).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 170-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 2 (2020-106).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 171-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 3 (2020-107).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 172-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 4 (2020-108).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 173-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 5 (2020-109).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

The signature of Eric S. Schmitt, written in blue ink.

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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 174-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 6 (2020-110).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 175-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 7 (2020-111).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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August 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 176-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, version 8 (2020-112).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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August 23, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 177-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 14, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-101). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Local governmental entities are estimated to have total one-time costs to upgrade or replace voting machines ranging from \$0 to \$37.8 million, and costs per election of an unknown amount totaling at least \$25,000. State governmental entities estimate no savings and possible costs of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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August 23, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 178-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 14, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-102). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government legislative operating costs are estimated to decrease by approximately \$250,000 annually. State and local governments could incur additional election-related costs that could be significant, including at least \$30,000 in one-time costs and ongoing costs of an unknown amount.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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August 23, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 179-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 14, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple (20-103). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State and local governmental entities estimate no costs or savings from this proposal.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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August 30, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 180-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution (2020-101). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- change voting in general elections for the offices of United States Senator, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, and State Auditor to allow voters to rank candidates in order of preference for each office;
- eliminate the lowest ranked candidates and redistribute their votes based on number of votes and voters' rankings until a candidate receives at least 50% plus one vote to win; and
- resolve ties with a random mathematical process?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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August 30, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 181-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-102). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri's Constitution regarding state legislators as follows:

- reduce the number of state representatives from 163 to 160 (20 representing each of the eight congressional districts);
- instead of a district, state senators will represent the entire state;
- primary elections result in an ordered list of candidates for each office;
- at the general election, a voter casts a vote for one political party's ordered list of candidates;
- the proportion of votes received per political party determines the candidates elected from each party's list, in the order on the list; and
- fill vacancies with the highest-ranking unelected candidate?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



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August 30, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 182-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated August 22, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution (2020-103). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to prohibit the General Assembly from altering, amending, or repealing a statute that was approved by the voters through the initiative process unless the General Assembly submits the proposed changes to the voters and the changes are approved by a majority of the voters?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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September 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 183-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-105). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$192,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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September 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 184-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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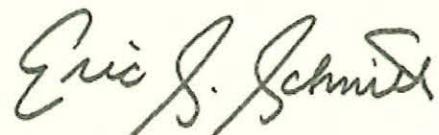
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-106). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$204,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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September 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 185-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-107). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$204,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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September 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 186-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-108). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$192,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 187-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-109). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$204,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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September 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 188-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-110). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$192,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 189-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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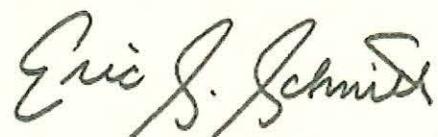
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-111). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$756,000 in one-time costs, \$204,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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September 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 190-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
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Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of August 29, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey (20-112). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$745,000 in one-time costs, \$192,000 in annual costs, and \$658,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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September 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 191-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 3, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen, version 1 (2020-113).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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September 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 192-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 3, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen, version 2 (2020-114).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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September 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 193-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 3, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen, version 3 (2020-115).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 194-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 3, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapters 393 and 386, Revised Statutes of Missouri, submitted by James Owen, version 4 (2020-116).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 195-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-105). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election;
- require the secretary of state and election authorities to make available a list of registered voters who voted by a particular method (mail, in person or military); and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 196-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-106). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election;
- give 16 and 17 year olds an opportunity to pre-register to vote; and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 197-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-107). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election;
- give 16 and 17 year olds an opportunity to pre-register to vote;
- require the secretary of state and election authorities to make available a list of registered voters who voted by a particular method (mail, in person or military); and
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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 198-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-108). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services, corrections and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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ERIC SCHMITT

September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 199-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-109). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election;
- give 16 and 17 year olds an opportunity to pre-register to vote;
- require the secretary of state and election authorities to make available a list of registered voters who voted by a particular method (mail, in person or military); and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 200-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-110). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election; and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 201-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-111). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election;
- give 16 and 17 year olds an opportunity to pre-register to vote; and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

September 19, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 202-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 9, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-112). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration of adults from state agency lists (including the departments of revenue, social services and conservation);
- allow voters to sign up to permanently vote by mail, with voting by mail allowed during the six weeks before each election;
- require the secretary of state and election authorities to make available a list of registered voters who voted by a particular method (mail, in person or military); and
- allow in-person voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 20, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 203-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 1 (2020-117).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

September 20, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 204-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 2 (2020-118).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 20, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 205-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 3 (2020-119).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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September 20, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 206-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 4 (2020-120).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

September 23, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 207-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 1 (2020-121).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

September 23, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 208-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated September 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 2 (2020-122).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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October 4, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 209-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 24, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 1 (20-113). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate additional employment costs of approximately \$88,000 annually. Additionally, state and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 4, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 210-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 24, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 2 (20-114). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate additional employment costs of approximately \$88,000 annually. Additionally, state and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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October 4, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 211-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 24, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 3 (20-115). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate additional employment costs of approximately \$88,000 annually. Additionally, state and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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October 4, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 212-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

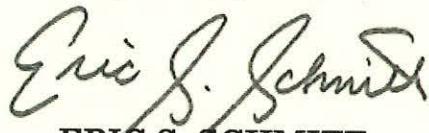
Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 24, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by James Owen, version 4 (20-116). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities estimate additional employment costs of approximately \$88,000 annually. Additionally, state and local governmental entities anticipate possible increased costs of electricity, but the amount is unknown.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
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October 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 213-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 30, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 1 (20-117). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities anticipate possible changes to state general revenue of an unknown amount. Costs to the state are unknown but may be up to \$1.29 billion annually. School districts may have a positive fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 214-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 30, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 2 (20-118). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities anticipate possible changes to state general revenue of an unknown amount. Costs to the state are unknown but may be up to \$2.45 billion annually. School districts may have a positive fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 215-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 30, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 3 (20-119). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities anticipate possible changes to state general revenue of an unknown amount. Costs to the state are unknown but may be up to \$1.29 billion annually. School districts may have a positive fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 10, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 216-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of September 30, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 4 (20-120). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities anticipate possible changes to state general revenue of an unknown amount. Costs to the state are unknown but may be up to \$2.45 billion annually. School districts may have a positive fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 217-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 1, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition submitted by Charles Hurth (2020-124).

We conclude that the petition must be rejected for at least the following reason:

The petition does not contain “all matter which is to be deleted included in its proper place enclosed in brackets and all new matter shown underlined” as required pursuant to § 116.050, RSMo.

Because of our rejection of the form of the petition for the reasons stated above, we have not reviewed the petition to determine whether additional deficiencies exist. Pursuant to § 116.332.4, RSMo, the Secretary of State is authorized to review this opinion and “make a final decision as to the approval or rejection of the form of the petition.”

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 218-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 4, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 1 (2020-113). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law regarding the renewable energy standard applicable to investor-owned electric utilities as follows:

- increase the minimum renewable energy amount from the existing 15% of retail sales in 2021 to 20% by 2022, 25% by 2025, 30% by 2028, 35% by 2031, 40% by 2034, 45% by 2037, and 50% by 2040; and
- only allow the use of renewable energy credits if they are associated with electricity the utility sold to Missouri customers?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 219-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 4, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 2 (2020-114). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend Missouri law regarding the renewable energy standard applicable to investor-owned electric utilities as follows:

- increase the minimum renewable energy amount from the existing 15% of retail sales in 2021 to 20% by 2022, 27% by 2025, 35% by 2028, 42% by 2031, and 50% by 2035;
- only allow the use of renewable energy credits if they are associated with electricity the utility sold to Missouri customers; and
- require each utility to purchase at least half of the renewable energy used to meet the standard from resources it does not own?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 220-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 4, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 393, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 3 (2020-115). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

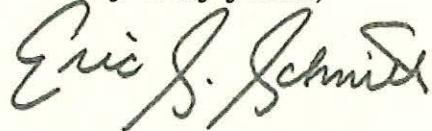
Do you want to amend Missouri law regarding the renewable energy standard applicable to investor-owned electric utilities as follows:

- increase the minimum renewable energy amount from the existing 15% of retail sales in 2021 to 20% in 2022, with incremental increases to 50% in 2035, and 100% in 2050;
- only allow the use of renewable energy credits if they are associated with electricity the utility sold to Missouri customers?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 221-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 4, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by James Owen regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapters 393 & 386, Revised Statutes of Missouri, version 4 (2020-116). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

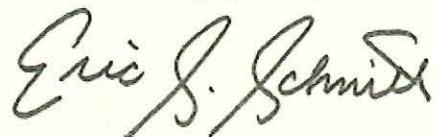
Do you want to amend Missouri law regarding renewable energy applicable to investor-owned electric utilities as follows:

- increase the minimum renewable energy amount (standard) from the existing 15% of retail sales in 2021 to 20% by 2022, 27% by 2025, 35% by 2028, 42% by 2031, 50% by 2035, and 100% by 2050;
- only allow the use of renewable energy credits to meet the standard if they are associated with electricity the utility sold to Missouri customers; and
- change net metering requirements (a billing mechanism that credits renewable energy system owners for the electricity they add to the grid)?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 222-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of October 3, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 1 (20-121). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Costs to the state are unknown but may be up to \$1.29 billion annually. School districts may have a positive fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI

ERIC SCHMITT

October 11, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 223-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of October 3, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull, version 2 (20-122). The fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

Costs to the state are unknown but may be up to \$2.45 billion annually. School districts may have a positive fiscal impact.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 224-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Deirdre Hirner (2020-125).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 225-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-117). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the General Assembly to enact state taxes to fund public schools without voter approval;
- require the General Assembly to “adequately and equitably” fund public schools, in an amount that could exceed the current minimum of 25% of state revenue;
- make “equality of educational opportunity” through public schools a fundamental right; and
- prohibit state and local governments from financially supporting private schools?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 226-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-118). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the General Assembly to enact state taxes to fund public schools without voter approval;
- require the General Assembly to “adequately and equitably” fund public schools (and certain voluntary early childhood education programs), in an amount that could exceed the current minimum of 25% of state revenue;
- make “equality of educational opportunity” through public schools a fundamental right; and
- prohibit state and local governments from financially supporting private schools?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 227-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-119). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the General Assembly to enact state taxes to fund public schools without voter approval;
- require the General Assembly to “adequately and equitably” fund public schools, in an amount that could exceed the current minimum of 25% of state revenue;
- remove the requirement to fund schools not governed by a publicly elected board, such as charter schools or unaccredited school districts;
- make “equality of educational opportunity” through public schools a fundamental right; and
- prohibit state and local governments from financially supporting private schools?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the

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petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

October 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 228-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-120). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the General Assembly to enact state taxes to fund public schools without voter approval;
- require the General Assembly to “adequately and equitably” fund public schools (and certain voluntary early childhood education programs), in an amount that could exceed the current minimum of 25% of state revenue;
- remove the requirement to fund schools not governed by a publicly elected board, such as charter schools or unaccredited school districts;
- make “equality of educational opportunity” through public schools a fundamental right; and
- prohibit state and local governments from financially supporting private schools?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI

ERIC SCHMITT

October 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 229-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 10, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by DeeAnn Aull regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article IX of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-121). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- allow the General Assembly to enact state taxes to fund public schools without voter approval;
- require the General Assembly to “adequately and equitably” fund public schools, in an amount that could exceed the current minimum of 25% of state revenue;
- make “equality of educational opportunity” through public schools a fundamental right; and
- prohibit state and local governments from financially supporting private schools?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI

ERIC SCHMITT

October 31, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 231-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 21, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-126).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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November 8, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 232-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated October 29, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-127).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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November 14, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 233-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of November 4, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-125) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities are expected to have one-time costs of \$20 million, annual costs from \$6 million to unknown, and annual revenues from \$86 million to \$155 million by 2025. Local governments estimate unknown costs and are expected to have annual revenues from \$17 million to \$27 million by 2025.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 234-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-128).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 235-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 1, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-129).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 236-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 2, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-130).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 237-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 3, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-131).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 238-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 4, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-132).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 239-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 5, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-133).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 240-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 6, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-134).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 241-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 7, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-135).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 242-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 8, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-136).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 243-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 9, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-137).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 244-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 10, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-138).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 15, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 245-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 6, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article VIII, version 11, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Mary Anne Sedey, (2020-139).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

November 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 246-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 8, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-125). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

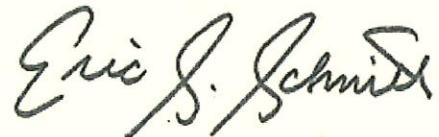
- remove state prohibitions on personal (recreational) use and possession of up to one ounce of marijuana and cultivation of up to three plants for personal use by persons at least 21 years old;
- remove state prohibitions on commercial cultivation, manufacture, and sale of marijuana by state-licensed facilities;
- impose a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana to primarily fund veterans' services, state highways, and drug addiction treatment;
- limit local control of marijuana dispensaries; and
- allow persons with certain marijuana-related offenses to apply to have sentences reduced and records expunged?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI

ERIC SCHMITT

November 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 247-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of November 8, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-126) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities are expected to have one-time costs of \$21 million, annual costs from \$6 million to unlown, and annual revenues from \$86 million to \$155 million by 2025. Local governments estimate unknown costs and are expected to have annual revenues from \$17 million to \$27 million by 2025.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 248-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Article III, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-140).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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November 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 249-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.332, RSMo, of the sufficiency as to form of an initiative petition to amend Chapter 192, of the Missouri Constitution submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-141).

We approve the petition as to form, but § 116.332 gives the Secretary of State final authority to approve or reject the petition. Therefore, our approval of the form of the petition does not preclude you from rejecting the petition.

Because our review of the petition is simply for the purpose of determining sufficiency as to form, the fact that we do not reject the petition is not to be construed as a determination that the petition is sufficient as to substance. Likewise, because our review is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition or of the objectives of its proponents, or the expression of any view respecting the adequacy or inadequacy of the petition generally.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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November 22, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 250-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter of November 18, 2019, submitting a fiscal note and fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-127) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities are expected to have one-time costs of \$21 million, annual costs of up to \$6 million, and annual revenues from \$86 million to \$155 million by 2025. Local governments estimate unknown costs and are expected to have annual revenues from \$17 million to \$27 million by 2025.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
ERIC SCHMITT

December 2, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 251-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated November 21, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-126). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- remove state prohibitions on personal (recreational) use and possession of up to one ounce of marijuana and cultivation of up to three plants for personal use by persons at least 21 years old;
- remove state prohibitions on commercial cultivation, manufacture, and sale of marijuana by state-licensed facilities;
- impose a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana to primarily fund veterans' services, state highways, and drug addiction treatment;
- limit local control of marijuana dispensaries; and
- allow persons with certain marijuana-related offenses to apply to have sentences reduced and records expunged?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric S. Schmitt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Eric" and "S." on the first line and "Schmitt" on the second line.

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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December 5, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 252-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 25, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner, (2020-128) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State government entities are expected to have one-time costs of \$21 million, annual costs of up to \$6 million, and annual revenues from \$93 million to \$155 million by 2025. Local governments estimate unknown costs and are expected to have annual revenues from \$17 million to \$27 million by 2025.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 253-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-129) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$61,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 254-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-130) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

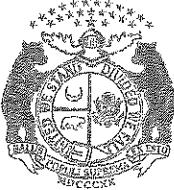
State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$144,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 255-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-131) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$144,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 256-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-132) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$61,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 257-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-133) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$66,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 258-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-134) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$ 1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$149,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 259-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-135) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$149,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 260-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-136) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$ 1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$66,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 261-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-137) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$31,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 262-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-138) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$36,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 263-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated November 26, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Mary Ann Sedey, (2020-139) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect one-time costs of at least \$1 million and possible ongoing costs. Local governments are expected to have costs of an unknown amount totaling at least \$746,000 in one-time costs, \$138,000 in annual costs, and \$31,000 in costs per election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 264-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated December 3, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-140) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

The state legislature is estimated to save approximately \$271,000 annually. State and local governments could incur additional election-related costs that could be significant ranging from \$150,000 to \$38 million in one-time costs and unknown ongoing costs totaling at least \$154,000 for each general election.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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December 6, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 265-2019

The Honorable Nicole Galloway
Missouri State Auditor
State Capitol, Room 121
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Auditor Galloway:

This office received your letter dated December 3, 2019, submitting a fiscal note summary prepared under § 116.175, RSMo, for an initiative petition submitted by Winston Apple, (2020-141) the fiscal note summary that you submitted is as follows:

State governmental entities expect any costs to equal any savings. Local governmental entities expect no costs from this proposal and may have savings of an unknown amount if some employees or employees' families switch health care coverage to these new health cooperatives.

Under § 116.175.4, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the fiscal note summary. Because our review of the fiscal note summary is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the initiative petition or as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents. Furthermore, our review under § 116.175.4 does not examine the fairness or sufficiency of the estimated fiscal impact.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



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December 13, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 266-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 13, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-127). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- remove state prohibitions on personal (recreational) use and possession of up to one ounce of marijuana and cultivation of up to three plants by persons at least 21 years old;
- remove state prohibitions on commercial cultivation, manufacture, and sale of marijuana by state-licensed facilities;
- impose a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana to primarily fund veterans' services, state highways, and drug addiction treatment;
- require local voter approval to ban retail marijuana facilities; and
- allow persons with certain marijuana-related offenses to apply for sentence reduction and records expungement?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 267-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Deirdre Hirner regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article XIV of the Missouri Constitution (2020-128). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

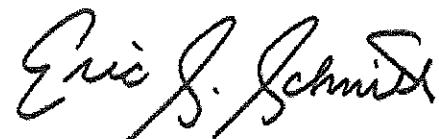
- remove state prohibitions on personal (recreational) use and possession of up to one ounce of marijuana and cultivation of up to three plants by persons at least 21 years old;
- remove state prohibitions on commercial cultivation, manufacture, and sale of marijuana by state-licensed facilities;
- impose a 15 percent tax on the retail sale of marijuana to primarily fund veterans' services, state highways, and drug addiction treatment;
- require local voter approval to ban retail marijuana facilities; and
- allow persons with certain marijuana-related offenses to apply for sentence reduction and records expungement?

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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,



ERIC S. SCHMITT
Attorney General



ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MISSOURI
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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 268-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 1 (2020-129). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

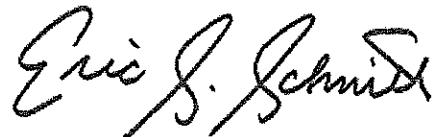
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions; and
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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Very truly yours,

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OPINION LETTER NO. 269-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 2 (2020-130). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

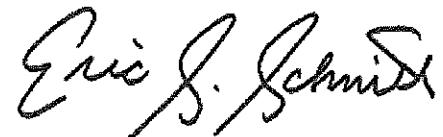
Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions;
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day; and
- allow in-person absentee voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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Very truly yours,



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December 18, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 270-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
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Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 3 (2020-131). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions, and from certain other state agencies if designated by the secretary of state;
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day; and
- allow in-person absentee voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 271-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 4 (2020-132). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions, and from certain other state agencies if designated by the secretary of state; and
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 272-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 5 (2020-133). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions; and
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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Very truly yours,

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OPINION LETTER NO. 273-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 6 (2020-134). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions;
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day; and
- allow in-person absentee voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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OPINION LETTER NO. 274-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 7 (2020-135). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

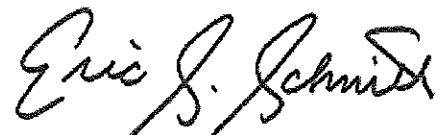
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- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day; and
- allow in-person absentee voting the weekend before an election?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

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as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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ERIC S. SCHMITT
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Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

- establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions, and from certain other state agencies if designated by the secretary of state; and
- change current absentee voting by prohibiting a voter from having to state a reason for being prevented from going to the polls to vote on election day?

Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to Article VII of the Missouri Constitution, version 8 (2020-136). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

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Very truly yours,

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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 276-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 9 (2020-137). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

- Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric S. Schmitt".

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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 277-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 10 (2020-138). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

- Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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December 17, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 278-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 5, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Mary Anne Sedey regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article VIII of the Missouri Constitution, version 11 (2020-139). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

- Do you want to amend the Missouri Constitution to establish automatic voter registration from lists of eligible adults from the department of revenue based on driver and nondriver license transactions, and from certain other state agencies if designated by the secretary of state?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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December 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 279-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 16, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution, (2020-140). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

- reduce the number of state representatives from 163 to 160 (20 representing each of the eight congressional districts);
- instead of a district, state senators will represent the entire state;
- eliminate the primary election for state legislators;
- at the general election, each voter casts three to 10 ranked votes from a list of candidates;
- the ranked votes determine the number of seats awarded to a political party (or independent candidate), and the elected candidate(s) from the applicable party; and
- fill vacancies with the same party's highest-ranking unelected candidate?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by

statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

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December 26, 2019

OPINION LETTER NO. 280-2019

The Honorable John R. Ashcroft
Missouri Secretary of State
James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center
600 West Main Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Ashcroft:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated December 16, 2019, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Winston Apple regarding a proposed amendment to amend Chapter 192, Revised Statutes of Missouri, (2020-141). The proposed summary statement is as follows:

- Do you want to amend Missouri law to create a state-run health insurance cooperative and a state-run health care cooperative administered by the Department of Health and Senior Services, allowing Missouri citizens the choice to participate in a state-run health cooperative that only provides coverage for treatments, procedures, and prescription medications deemed medically necessary by the Department of Health and Senior Services; and with membership dues (premiums) and out-of-pocket maximums to be adjusted annually based on a participant's income?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed

as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

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